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KC WOMAN PLEADS GUILTY TO ROLE IN CRACK COCAINE CONSPIRACY

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., woman pleaded guilty in federal court today to her role in a conspiracy to distribute crack cocaine.

Jennifer L. Sanders, 33, of Kansas City, pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Fernando J. Gaitan, Jr., this morning.

By pleading guilty, **Sanders** admitted that she conspired with others to distribute 50 grams or more of crack cocaine between Dec. 20 and 27, 2004.

Under federal statutes, **Sanders** may be subject to a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years in federal prison without parole, up to life in federal prison without parole, plus a fine up to \$4 million.

Sanders was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Jan. 27, 2005, in Kansas City.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Catherine A. Connelly. The case was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

This news release, as well as additional information about the office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, is available on-line at

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